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Subject: Re: slow processing of my k-nearest neighbour code  
Posted by [news.verizon.net](http://news.verizon.net) on Mon, 14 Aug 2006 15:30:50 GMT  
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Karl Schultz wrote:

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> On Mon, 14 Aug 2006 10:11:30 -0400, Ben Tupper wrote:
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>> humphreymurray@gmail.com wrote:
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>>>> ; Calculate the squared distance for each attribute.
>>>> squared = make_array(num_training_elements, num_attributes)
>>>> for attrib = 0, num_attributes-1 do begin
>>>>   squared[,attrib] = (testing_data[i, attrib] -
>>>> training_data[,attrib])^2
>>>>   endfor
>>>>
>>
>> Hi,
>>
>> You might try replacing the above for inner-loop with the following
>>
>> squared = (testing_data - training_data)^2
>>
```

I don't think this works here because you lose the dependence on the i index -- the value of "squared" will differ for each value of "i".  
But another one of David Fanning's pages could help, see  
[http://www.dfanning.com/code\\_tips/asterisk.html](http://www.dfanning.com/code_tips/asterisk.html)  
and rewrite the assignment as

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    squared[0,attrib] = (testing_data[i, attrib] -
training_data[,attrib])^2
```

--Wayne

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